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FM AMEMBASSY LAGOS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 8610

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AMCONSUL DOUALA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY LIBREVILLE PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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E.O 11652 : NA

TAGS : BEXP, NI, XA

SUBJ : RAILROAD EQUIPMENT TRADE MISSION

REF : A. LAGOS 2793; B. STATE 072246

1. INFORMATION WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM LOCAL OFFICES AIR CAMEROUN (UY), AIR AFRIQUE (RK), AND AIR ZAIRE (QC) CONFLICTS WITH REF (B).

2. ACCORDING TO OUR INFORMATION, LAGOS-KINSHASA TIME SCHEDULES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

APRIL 12-UY-708, DEPARTS LAGOS 1605, ARRIVES DOUALA 1730;
APRIL 13-RK-50, DEPARTS DOUALA 1725, ARRIVES KINSHASA 2030
(TIMES MOVED AHEAD 15 MINUTES FROM REF (A).

3. LOCAL OFFICE AIR ZAIRE INDICATES THAT QC-1 LEAVES DOUALA 1700, NOT 1800 HRS ON APRIL 12. IT WOULD THEREFORE BE IMPOSSIBLE TO MAKE CONNECTION FROM UY-709.

4. IN ANY CASE, WE NOW HAVE FIRM BOOKINGS FOR ELEVEN MISSION MEMBERS AND MISSION DIRECTOR, BY NAME, FOR
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CONNECTIONS LISTED PARA. 2. ALL THEY HAVE TO DO IS

CONFIRM. UNLESS OUR INFORMATION OBTAINED LOCALLY IS INCORRECT
(AMEMBASSIES DOUALA AND KINSHASA SHOULD BE ABLE TO CONFIRM),
SUGGEST MISSION MEMBERS BE ADVISED TO ABANDON IDEA OF TRYING
TO CATCH QC-41 ON APRIL 12, AND COUNT ON OVERNIGHT IN DOUALA.

5. WE WILL ASSUME NAIROBI STOPOVER HAS BEEN DROPPED, AND
WILL PLAN FOR APRIL 12 DEPARTURE FROM LAGOS.
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